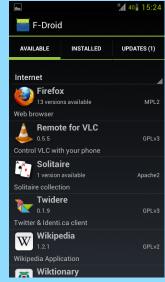
F-Droid - A Free App Store



The logo of F-Droid

F-Droid is not the typical store where you buy something. Instead, it is a catalogue (or repository) of Free Software apps. You can easily browse, search and install apps onto your device. The F-Droid app also keeps track of updates for you.



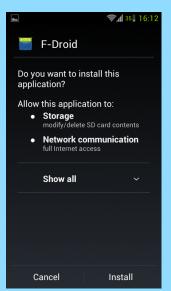
The main screen of F-Droid

Installing F-Droid



In order to install F-Droid use the QR-Code on the left or enter the address below in your browser.

https://f-droid.org/FDroid.apk



Before you install F-Droid, please make sure that you have allowed the installation of non-market apps.

You can allow this in: Settings → Security → Unknown sources

After the F-Droid app was downloaded, the screen on the left appears to show you the permissions F-Droid will require and to ask for your confirmation.

Using F-Droid

At the top you can see three tabs: One for available apps, one for installed ones and one for possible updates. Below there is an option to filter the displayed apps by category.

When you click on an app, the screen on the right appears showing you a description and several versions. The recommended version has a star behind it. Clicking in the version line will download and install the app.

Pressing the menu key or depending on your device the menu button (top right corner) on an app screen gives you additional options such as the possibility to donate. Developers of free apps also like to eat, so please consider donating.



App details screen for Firefox

Some Available Apps



K-9 Mail is the best email app for Android. It supports multiple accounts, folders and hundreds of other options such as encryption.

OsmAnd~ is like Google Maps, but with maps from OpenStreetMap and offline capabilities. So you can still have all your maps even when you do not have internet access.





Slight Backup is a versatile backup app. It saves your short messages, call logs, settings, contacts and much more on your SD card.

FBreader is an e-book reader. It also allows you to download books from online libraries such as Project Gutenberg.



Xabber is like Google Talk or ICQ. It allows you to chat with your friends, but still choose your own chat service provider from a large selection of organisations and companies.

Twidere is the app you want to use if you are into microblogging with services like Status.Net or Twitter.





AntennaPod lets you subscribe and listen to audio recordings from the internet so called podcasts.

Frozen Bubble is a bubble shooting game. Knock the bubbles down by forming clusters of three or more bubbles.



Liberate Your Phone

Even though Android is mostly Free Software, your Android device usually comes with proprietary software and services that prevent you from using them in an independent and autonomous way.

Do you want a mobile device that does not spy on you? The FSFE's "Free Your Android" campaign collects information about running an Android operating system as free as possible and tries to coordinate the efforts in this area:

http://FreeYourAndroid.org



CyanogenMod runs on a lot of devices and you do not need a Google account to use it. Even though it is usually more free than the software your device comes with, freedom is not its main objective.

Replicant does not compromise on freedom. If you have a phone that does not need non-free drivers, then this is your best option.



Contribute to F-Droid

The F-Droid initiative is entirely developed and maintained by volunteers. You can also contribute in a variety of ways: report problems, translate the F-Droid app, add new apps to it or help with development.

The community is very friendly, welcoming, and appreciates your contribution. Do not hesitate to get in touch. More information is available at:

http://f-droid.org/contribute